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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a two-month Extension of Time, to and including February 9, 2006, be granted in which to respond to the Office Action dated September 9, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Our Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$450.00 is attached in payment of the appropriate fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

Respectfully submitted,

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